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Ms. Sara B. Well
Sacramento Center for Educational Equity and Access (SCEEA)
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Dear Ms. Well:

I am writing to express my enthusiasm for the Student Educator position in the Filling in the Gaps program at SCEEA. As a rising junior at Haverford College majoring in sociology, minoring in educational studies, and concentrating in Peace, Justice, and Human Rights, I have gained a deep understanding of the challenges related to educational access in minority and under-resourced communities. My current course, "Class, Race, and Education," has further highlighted these issues and led my professor to inform me about this internship opportunity in my home city. SCEEA's mission to increase educational access for underrepresented students resonates with me, and I am particularly drawn to the opportunity to work directly with students from diverse backgrounds.

I would be a great fit for the Student Educator position due to my relevant experience and alignment with SCEEA's values. Last summer, I interned at the Chicago Freedom School, where I guided student leaders in learning about systems of oppression, educational access, and the school-to-prison pipeline. This role allowed me to work closely with students from under-resourced backgrounds. Additionally, as a Tutor and Coordinator at Mentoring and Student Teaching (MAST), I have tutored underrepresented middle school students in writing, furthering my experience supporting students' educational development. As an Ambassador of Multicultural Awareness, I have also educated college first-years on diversity, multiculturalism, and educational access. These experiences have equipped me with the skills to connect with and support the students served by SCEEA.

Furthermore, I am eager to contribute to the weekly Student Educator Meetings (SEMs) based on my experience at Philadelphia Futures. I shadowed staff members and learned about implementing college access programs similar to SCEEA's Filling in the Gaps. This experience emphasized the importance of student-focused programming, and I am eager to bring this insight to our SEMs, contributing to the program's growth and success.

Please contact me via email or phone for any additional information about my interest and fit for this internship. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of contributing to SCEEA and supporting its mission.

Sincerely,

Lia Nguyen